

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Toshimichi Morikoshi, et al. Confirmation No.: 6831  
Serial No.: 10/536,488 Group Art Unit: 1651  
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For:  $\beta$ -1,4-Mannobiose-containing Composition

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Official Action dated August 21, 2009 and the Advisory Action dated December 24, the applicant(s) submit herewith a request for continued examination (RCE) and respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

In addition, the applicant(s) have petitioned for a two (2) month extension of time and paid concurrently herewith the appropriate fee for extending the period of response up to and including January 21, 2010.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including the Declaration under 37 C.F.R. 1.132 by Mr. Futoshi Yokomizo and Mr. Yokomizo's *Curriculum Vitae* is attached following page 12 of this paper.